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1. Applicant's Statement of the Substance of the Interview Mailed February 1, 2005.

Thank you,

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Sir:

This Statement of the Substance of the Interview is filed in response to the Interview Summary mailed February 1, 2005.

The Interview Summary provided by the Examiner is correct. On October 24, 2004, Applicant's representative, Mark B. Wilson, received a telephone call from Examiner Khare. During this examiner-initiated interview, Mark B. Wilson and Examiner Khare briefly discussed the dependency of claim 25 and agreed that claim 25 should be amended by Examiner's Amendment to depend from claim 20.

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